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 - c. Six (6) Cited References;
 - d. International Search Report for International Application FR06/000518; and
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97 - 1.99, the Applicant wishes to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56. Copies of the references cited below are enclosed. These references are also listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449.

In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed references may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. However, the references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative relevance between references, whether cited in this or prior statements. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 102 or Section 103.

United States Patents

1. King et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,495,503, issued February 27, 1996.

Foreign Patents

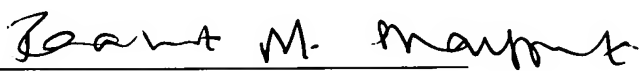
2. PCT Patent Application No. WO 98/09254, published March 5, 1998.
3. PCT Patent Application No. WO 01/54080, published July 26, 2001.
4. PCT Patent Application No. WO 02/095698, published November 28, 2002
5. European Patent Application No. EP 0 877 342, published November 11, 1998.
6. French Patent Application No. FR 2837460 and English Abstract, published September 26, 2003.
7. International Search Report for International Application FR06/000518.

In accordance with MPEP Sections 609 and 707.05(b), it is requested the document cited (including any cited in applicant's specification which is not repeated on the attached Form PTO-1449) be given thorough consideration and that it be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing on Form PTO-1449. Such initialing is requested even if the Examiner does not consider a cited document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not consider it to be prior art for any reason, or even if the Examiner does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	1.	5,495,503	Feb 27, 1996	King et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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							Yes	No
	2.	WO 98/09254	Mar 5, 1998	PCT				
	3.	WO 01/054080	July 26, 2001	PCT				
	4.	WO 02/095698	Nov 28, 2002	PCT				
	5.	EP 0 877 342	Nov 11, 1998	EP				
	6.	FR 2837460 & English Abstract	Sept 26, 2003	FR				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc).

	7.	International Search Report for International Application FR06/000518.					
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